



THE LABOR SITUATION

Frisco in Midst of Labor Turmoil.

SCHMITZ MAKES EFFORT

Tried to Bring Officials and Carmen Together in Compromise and Failed.

TELEPHONE OPERATOR STRIKE

Business Badly Crippled—Strike Gaining in Strength and Causes Serious Inconvenience—Ironworkers Are Still Out—Carmen May Strike Soon.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Mayor Schmitz this afternoon made a last futile effort to bring President Calhoun of the United Railroads and the executive committee of the carmen together in a compromise that might avert a tie-up of the street railway system of this city. The conference was productive of no results. The situation is now declared to be hopeless and it is feared that the carmen will vote to strike when they gather in a mass meeting at 1 o'clock tonight.

There was little change on the telephone strike today. The company had a few more operators at work but the service was badly crippled. Tonight the cables containing all of the wires running into the "West" exchange were cut on one of the poles. Until repaired this leaves a large section of the city entirely without telephone connections.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The outlook in the labor situation here is not particularly bright and no chance for an immediate settlement of any of the questions now involved is at present apparent. The telephone strike has crippled the service and last night the whole system had practically come to a standstill. The operators are now securing support from all directions and it is feared that the linemen will go out on a sympathetic strike, which will still further complicate the situation. In the case of emergency hospitals it has been found necessary to dispatch mounted police to act as messengers and general business has been seriously affected.

In the stock markets a decline followed the suspension of the device. So far no disturbance to amount to anything has accompanied the strike. The ironworkers are still firm in their demands and the proposition for a settlement by arbitration has now been abandoned owing to the negative position taken by the trades council.

The carmen will meet tomorrow morning to vote on the question of the threatened strike. The men are standing by their demand for \$3 and an eight-hour day, while the company is still firm in its position and that the rate established by the board of arbitration is the limit beyond which it will not go. The outlook is generally considered unfavorable for any pacific settlement of the difficulty, and the worst is feared.

LUMBER INDUSTRY TIED UP.

Fight Between Federation of Labor and the I. W. W. in Montana.

BUTTE, May 4.—A Plains, Mont., dispatch to the Miner states that differences between the Industrial Workers of the World, and the Montana Federation of Labor have resulted in practically tying up the lumber industry in Western Montana. The operators are willing to accept the recognition of the Federation of Labor, but refuse to recognize the I. W. W. Wednesday afternoon the men voted. It is understood, for returning to work. All preparations to resume the drive were made, when representatives of the Industrial Workers ordered the men to continue the strike.

IRISH EXPOSITION OPENS.

Designed To Revive Drooping Interests of the Country.

DUBLIN, May 4.—The Irish International Exposition which opens here today is an event of far reaching interest to Ireland, as it is designed to revive the drooping interests of the country and at the same time present a picture of Irish development and progress. Men of all classes, headed by the Marquis of Ormond, have worked indefatigably, a guarantee fund of nearly \$1,000,000 has been raised and an exposition eclipsing anything previously attempted in Ireland is assured.

The opposition manifested by the nationalists has somewhat abated and the show promises to be successful. Comparatively few foreign nations have become interested in the enterprise, foremost of those participating being France, Italy and Japan, but the principal colonies have sent fine exhibits.

SINGER BUILDING.

Steel From Frisco Fire Being Used in New Construction.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Much of the steel which is being used in erecting the Singer building at Broadway and Liberty street is material that has passed through the earthquake and fire in San Francisco more than a year ago.

Twisted and warped beams from the Golden Gate were purchased and shipped around Cape Horn in sailing vessels to the contractors' mills on Siate Island. These were melted, tempered and rolled again into good straight beams for structural purposes.

SCHOONER BURNED

Steel Hull Filled With Lumber Completely Destroyed.

ARTHUR FITZER OF GERMANY

Crew Escaped in Lifeboat—Flames Too Fierce For Fire Tugs—Vessel Valued at \$125,000—Cargo at \$30,000—Both Were Covered by Insurance.

SEATTLE, May 4.—Loaded with lumber the full big steel hull of the German schooner Arthur Fitzger, lying outside Salmon bay, near the west point lighthouse, was burned last night. The cargo, worth \$30,000, was completely destroyed. Both cargo and vessel were insured.

The fire started in the paint room aft and crept slowly but with irresistible impetuosity forward and in about two hours the flames poured from stem to stern. The fire boat and numerous tugs that stood alongside were repelled by the intense heat.

The crew of 12 men in the forecastle when the flames broke out gathered up their belongings and lowering a lifeboat escaped to the shore.

The Arthur Fitzger was owned by the Schmidt Company of Hamburg, Germany, shippers, and was valued at \$125,000. She was built in Belfast, Maine, in 1880. Her tonnage was 1727, and she was 262 feet long and 23 feet beam.

Before going to the Sound the Arthur Fitzger was at Astoria. She arrived here from Antwerp during the latter part of the winter, with a cargo consigned to Meyer, Wilson & Co., of Portland. Failing to get a grain charter for the outgoing trip, she was finally engaged to go to Port Blakeley in ballast to receive a cargo of lumber for the West Coast of South America. While she was at Blakeley the mill plants there were burned to the ground and she was obliged to go to another nearby port to load.

AGED AZTEC DEAD.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, May 4.—Felix Rodriguez, an Aztec Indian, died here yesterday at the age of 119. He was in the battle of the Alamo in 1836 as a teamster in charge of the paymaster's wagon of the Mexican army. After the Texas victory he returned to Mexico where he lived until four years ago when he came here. He died without family.

HISSED THE PRESIDENT

Heywood Sympathizers Parade in Gotham.

SEVERAL RAW SPEECHES

Speakers Say Roosevelt Violated His Oath and Term Him an "Undesireable Citizen."

HEARING FOR BRIBING JURY

W. N. Yost Held Subject To Service For Attempting To Bribe J. L. Waggoner—Twenty Thousand Men and Women Marched in Big Parade.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Two long lines of men and women, probably 20,000 of them, trailed through the streets of the upper and lower East-side today in a demonstration of sympathy for Moyer, Heywood and Pettibone. A part of the paraders crowded the Grand Central Palace to wind up the demonstration in one of the biggest union labor and socialist meetings seen in New York in a long time. There was no disorder.

When Chairman Morris Hilquist mentioned President Roosevelt's name it was received with a storm of hisses. It was not a fact, Hilquist said, Moyer, Heywood and Pettibone had done any of the things with which they were charged that made them "Undesireable citizens," it was the fact that they were law-abiding citizens, earnest workers for their fellow man that induced the president to make the statements he did against them. To the laboring men, he said, Debs, Moyer and Heywood are not "undesireable citizens."

"Undesireable citizens" to the laboring men are the capitalists, mineowners and governors of the States of Colorado and Idaho. "To us," he said, "the man who has been elected to the highest office in the land and who uses his power to trample down the men whose lives may depend upon openness and fairness of the public mind has violated his solemn oath. He is an 'Undesireable citizen.'"

Editor Joseph Vanbibe of a Socialist paper spoke for an hour, and introduced a set of resolutions covering every phase of the case which will be sent to all the members of congress, to the supreme court and to the president. Following him William A. Coakley spoke.

He said the laboring men are good Americans and that they believe they have certain rights under the constitution and propose to have them. He said organized labor believed these men were innocent, but all they asked is fair trial. If Moyer, Heywood and Pettibone are guilty of this crime, he said, they ought to be hanged, if innocent, they must go free.

BOISE, May 4.—W. N. Yost, charged with attempt to corruptly influence J. L. Waggoner, one of the jurors who will be subject to service in the Steunenberg cases, was today held in bail of \$500 to the district court of Ada County. The preliminary examination was held in the justice court and attracted very little attention. Waggoner testified today that on April 4, while he was serving as a juror in the murder case, that Yost approached him and offered him \$20 to poll the white cross precinct as to its attitude on the Moyer case. Yost further stated that according to Waggoner, that the men on trial for the murder of Steunenberg were being railroaded through to the gallows. Waggoner refused to take the money stating to Yost that he was on the jury at that time and had only been excused for one day, that he was very busy on his farm and could not spare the time. Waggoner said he told Yost that he (Waggoner) was no friend of the

Goodings or state administration, and according to the testimony given, he gave as his reason for not undertaking the work, his lack of time. Waggoner also testified that he himself did not know positively at the time that he would likely be one of the jurors in the Heywood case, and had no reason to believe Yost knew he would be. Attorney Nugent, one of the Heywood-Moyer-Pettibone counsel represented Yost and moved Yost's discharge for a lack of evidence. This was opposed by the prosecution and was refused by the justice.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Manager Whyte Receives News From Department on Work in Oregon.

Manager Whyte, of the Chamber of Commerce, received a letter from acting director of the United States Geological Survey H. C. Rizer, bringing the news that a geological survey is being made in certain parts of Oregon. Namely in parts of Josephine, Douglas and Coos Counties. Mr. Rizer makes a mention of the fact that the states is co-operating in the matter of a topographical survey and recommends that the same be done in order to expediate the geological work. The advance work in the matter of a survey of this kind for Clatsop has been started and will be given all the impetuous possible the Chamber of Commerce.

MAJOR BELMONT GUILTY.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The Tribune tomorrow will say Major Francis P. Belmont of the Fifth Infantry, who was tried before the general court-martial, has been found guilty on seven out of twelve counts. The court sentenced him to lose 60 files in the military rank on the list of majors.

A HORRIBLE DEATH

Slipped and Fell Between Jaws of Sleamshovel.

THE BODY SEVERED IN TWAIN

Operator Failed To Observe Accident and Noise of Shovel Drowned Cries of Spectators—Head and Shoulders Hoisted Before Machine Stopped.

CHICAGO, May 4.—A dispatch to the Inter-Ocean from Stirling, Ill., says:

Slipping down a gravel bank in a railroad cut here yesterday George Nelson fell between the jaws of a huge steam shovel and his body was bitten in two by the closing of the sections. The operator of the shovel did not see the workman fall, and the puffing steam engine drowned the cries of the onlookers. The metal jaws closed upon Nelson just below the heart, and his body was cut completely in two. The head and shoulders, inside the shovel, were borne high in the air before the engine was reversed.

BURLINGTON FLYER WRECKED.

Second Section Crashed Into a Handcar Killing Fireman.

BUTTE, May 4.—A Miner special from Manhattan says: The fireman was instantly killed in a wreck of the westbound flyer on the Burlington, just east of Manhattan, Montana, this evening and 25 passengers sustained injuries, many serious ones and one fatal. The train ran down a handcar. The Burlington train was traveling in two sections which was apparently unknown to the section men who were pumping their car leisurely along, when the second section crashed into it.

TEA CAUSED DEATH.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Testing samples of tea to determine their grade for import duty valuation undermined the health and indirectly brought about the death yesterday in the world. He was engaged in this duty for the government for 24 years. Tea merchants say that sampling tea always affects the health of those engaged in it.

SEVERAL INDICTMENTS

Will Be Returned by the Grand Jury.

MORE FOR BOSS RUEF

Grand Jury to Vote on 19 More Counts Against the Boss.

SOME FOR UNITED RAILWAYS

The Number of Prospective Indictments To Be Voted On By Grand Jury is 57, For Bribing of Supervisors and Higher Municipal Officials

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Following the refusal yesterday of President Calhoun and General Manager Mullally to testify, and the subpoenaing by telegraph of Chief Counsel Ford in Los Angeles, it was learned today that it is the intention of the grand jury to vote on returning bribery indictments against certain officers, sometime next week, probably not later than Thursday. Both Langdon and Heney refused to state against whom these indictments will be returned. It was learned that a number of prospective indictments are to be voted on next week with reference to the United Railways there are 57 comprising the alleged complicity of the three men in the bribing of the 18 supervisors and of another and higher municipal official, at the same time the grand jury will vote on the returning of 19 other indictments charging the Political Boss with the same crime in the same deal.

The amount of money, part cash and part bonds, is alleged to have been expended by the prosecution to have been expended, is approximately \$750,000.

WASP IN TROUBLE.

Serious of Mishaps to the Steamer at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 4.—The steamer Wasp, which was towed to sea yesterday by the tug Sea Rover, on its way to San Francisco, has had all manner of trouble while here, and her experiences will cost her owners a pretty penny before they are done with her. Upon her arrival here, she struck a snag while going up the Wishkah River to the American mill which tore out some of the blades of her propeller. She telegraphed her owners about the matter, and asked whether to have repairs made here, or to be towed to the city for them. She took on part of a load and in dropping down the river Monday night a collision with the dock seeming imminent, the master dropped the anchor, which caught in the electric light cable which lies in the bottom of the river, and cut it in two, putting part of the city in darkness for an hour or so.

She then had her deckload removed and was towed to Lindstrom's shipyard, where she was hauled up on the marine ways for repairs. She had no sooner been put in place than one of the links in the chain broke and she slid down the skids as if she were shooting the chutes, playing smash with the ways and putting them out of commission for a time. This took away the only chance she had of being repaired here, and the tug came from the Sound to take her to the city. Upon the arrival of the Sea Lion her master was fined \$200 for lack of a license to navigate these waters, and \$300 for having 11 unassigned men on board, making a total of \$420. He has applied to the proper authorities through the local custom house for relief and expects an adjustment of the matter.

ADVANCE IN STOCKS.

Due To Activity Centered in The Union Pacific.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The advance in prices of stocks this week was due in large part to the sympathetic effect of the great activity centered in Union Pacific, which was unexplained by any new developments, although it was also accompanied by floods of rumors. The copper stocks have shown some independent strength, based on conditions in the market for the metal. CFC news has been of mixed effect. Reports of improved conditions early in the week helped stocks. The effect of the later strength in the wheat market was modified by the part played by foreign crop damage reports. Monday conditions have grown towards greatest ease both here and abroad and confidence in the money outlook has increased.

The issue of Atchison convertible bonds to bear 5 per cent was an unfavorable factor.

STOCK ISSUE AUTHORIZED.

United Railroads To Issue \$5,000,000 First Preferred Stock.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The United Railroads of San Francisco, it is made known in the annual report of the Railways Investment Company, has authorized an issue of \$5,000,000 first preferred stock to bear interest at the rate of not less than 6 per cent per annum. This issue has been authorized to provide funds for new construction and improvements, and \$1,500,000 is to be issued in the near future. All of this stock will be taken by the Railways Investment Company, which owns all the stock of the United Railroads of San Francisco as well as a controlling interest in the Philadelphia Company of Pittsburgh.

LANE RENOMINATED

Portland's Popular Mayor Receives Endorsement Again.

DEVLIN FOR REPUBLICANS

Harry Lane and Thomas A. Devlin, Present City Auditor, Were Nominated by the Democratic and Republican Parties by Large Majorities

PORTLAND, May 4.—Mayor Lane, Democrat, was today renominated and Thomas A. Devlin, Republican, present city auditor, was nominated for Mayor by their respective parties. Both men were selected by handsome majorities.

POLICE INDICTED.

Alleged Complicity of Force in Mayorality Campaign.

CHICAGO, May 4.—The grand jury returned four joint indictments against former Chief of Police Collins this evening and against the other police and city officials in connection with corruption in the police department. The action follows the allegation that the police force was used during the recent mayorality campaign to further the interests of former Mayor Dunne. Those indicted are Chief Collins, W. L. Connell, former Commissioner of Public Works and chairman of the Democratic City Committee; Edmund H. Roche, city purchasing agent; Frank D. Comerford, a former police attorney and Detectives McGrath and McNulty.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

GUATEMALA CITY, May 4.—Another mine containing many pounds of dynamite, was discovered yesterday on Seventh avenue in front of a building not far from the residence of President Cabrera.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES

At Seattle—Seattle 9, Spokane 8.
At San Francisco—Portland 1, San Francisco 7.
Northwest League.
At Vancouver—Butte 5, Vancouver 3, Coast League.
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 6, Oakland 3.